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September 29, 2003

CERTIFIED MAIL

Yvonne Cox HSE Manager Saint-Gobain Crystals & Detectors 750 South 32nd Street Washougal, WA 98671-2520

RE: NPDES Permit for WA0039527

Dear Ms. Cox:

Enclosed is your National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. WA0039527, which has been issued in accordance with Chapter 90.48 RCW, as amended, and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended. This NPDES Permit satisfies the requirements of both federal and state laws.

Also enclosed is Ecology's Fact Sheet and a pre-printed Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) form with a key for codes used. Please note that your permit limits, frequency, and sample type are printed in the shaded areas of your DMR. This is your master copy. Please make copies as needed for your submittals. If no discharge occurs during a reporting period, you must still submit a DMR with a statement that no discharge occurred.

About five years ago, Ecology moved the due date for submission of permit renewal applications from six months to 18 months prior to permit expiration date. This change was the result of a total quality management effort to improve permit process and efficiency. This improvement achieved cost savings in reviewing and public noticing applications together in watershed groups, reduced the backlog of expired permits, and allows extra time for complex permit development. Ecology will contact you about 30 months prior to expiration to remind you about early application submittal. Please contact Laurie Conger, Industrial Permit Coordinator, at (360) 407-6280 for an application form.

Permit Fees

The Department of Ecology, in response to the passage of Initiative 97 in 1988, has adopted a regulation to recover costs associated with the issuance and administration of wastewater discharge permits (Chapter 173-224 WAC).

The annual fee for both industrial and municipal/domestic discharges is computed according to the permit fee schedules contained in WAC 173-224-040. The Department notifies permit holders of fee charges by mailed billing statements. Failure to pay the applicable permit fee may result in the suspension or

revocation of the permit, and could result in the issuance of civil penalties or actions to enjoin the activity under the permit.

Appeal Process

This permit may be appealed (Chapter 43.21B RCW). Your appeal must be filed within 30 days of receipt of this permit. Your appeal must be filed with the Pollution Control Hearings Board,

An appeal must contain the following in accordance with the rules of the hearings board:

- 1. The appellant's name and address;
- 2. The coverage date and number of the permit appealed;
- 3. A description of the substance within the permit that is the subject of the appeal;
- 4. A clear, separate, and concise statement of every error alleged to have been committed;
- 5. A clear and concise statement of facts on which the requester relies to sustain such statements of error; and
- 6. A statement setting forth the relief sought.

Your appeal alone will not stay the effectiveness of this permit. Stay requests must be submitted in accordance with RCW 43.21B.320. These procedures are consistent with the provisions of Chapter 43.21B RCW.

The notice of appeal, to the PCHB, shall include, as attachments, a copy of the NPDES permit, the permit application and any updated application information submitted during the permit issuance process. At the same time, a copy of the notice of appeal, without attachments, must be sent to the Department of Ecology. The addresses are listed below.

Pollution Control Hearings Board P.O. Box 40903 Olympia, Washington 98504-0903 Industrial Unit Permit Coordinator Department of Ecology Southwest Region – Water Quality P.O. Box 47775 Olympia, Washington 98504-7775

Any questions or correspondence relating to this permit should be directed to Jacek Anuszewski, Facility Manager, Industrial Unit (360) 407-6688 or janu461@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Kelly Susewind, P.E., P.G. Southwest Region Manager Water Quality Program

KS:GZ:ljc Enclosures

CC: Jacek Anuszewski, P.E.
Greg Zentner, P.E.
Steve Eberl, P.E.

Dale Hammrich, City of Washougal Wastewater Treatment Plant